**AY 2019 Ritsumeikan University**

**Application Guidelines for +R Alumni Association Future Human Resources Development Scholarship**

**1. +R Alumni Association Future Human Resources Development Scholarship**

This scholarship program has been established in order to support undergraduate and graduate students who will try to embody Ritsumeikan's goal of "Creating a Future Beyond Borders", and who will strive to overcome the barriers standing in the way of the solutions to various problems, expand their own possibilities, and create new values with regard to the philosophy of the Alumni Association Future Human Resources Development Fund, which hopes to support the growth of future alumni so that they will be able to help develop their alma matter, imbuing them with a spirit to “create the future of Ritsumeikan”.

For those who say, “I want to do something, but I don’t know what kind of activities would be good,” please refer to the adopted activities of the students (※1) or to the index of the "SDGs (※2)".

(※ 1) http://www.ritsumei.ac.jp/scholarship/activity/

　(※ 2) For details, refer to application form on page 4

**2. Schedule and Required Documents**

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| **Application Period** | **Tuesday, May 7, 2019 -**  **Monday, May 20 until 17:00**  **<Deadline time strictly enforced>** |
| **Document Screening Result Announcement** | **Wednesday, June 12, 2019at 17:00 (on manaba+R)** |
| **Interview** | **Saturday ,June 22 or Sunday June 23, 2019** |
| **Announcement**  **of Recipients** | **Tuesday, July 9, 2019 at 17:00 (on manaba+R)** |
| **Award Ceremony/Briefing Session** | **Thursday, July 18, 2019 at 18:00**  \* You must attend the award ceremony and briefing session to be officially accepted as a recipient of this scholarship.  You must be present at the briefing session, except in special circumstances such as attending a regular class, undertaking a teaching practicum, and participating in a care-giving program or a competition. If you are unable to attend the award ceremony and briefing session, please consult with the person in charge in advance. If you are absent from the award ceremony and briefing session without notice, you may lose eligibility to receive financial aid. |
| **Application Document Submission Location** | The Office of Student Affairs at the campus where your college/graduate school administrative office is located. |

**\* This is the ONLY chance to apply for this scholarship for AY2019.**

**Please contact the appropriate office below for inquiries.**

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| **Campus** | **Contact** | |
| **Kinugasa Campus** | **Office of Student Affairs (Kinugasa Campus)** | **075-465-8167** |
| **Biwako-Kusatsu Campus** | **Office of Student Affairs (BKC)** | **077-561-3920** |
| **Osaka Ibaraki Campus** | **Office of Student Affairs (OIC)** | **072-665-2130** |

< Opening hours are 9:30 - 17:00 (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays) >

\* Closed for lunch from 11:30 - 12:30.

\* Hours are from 12:30 - 17:00 on Tuesdays.

**1. Scholarship Information**

**(1) Outline**

1) No. of recipients: 100 students (max.)

2) Scholarship amount:

① First Step Support \100,000

Plans that are concrete and considered feasible, regardless of demonstrable past achievements.

② Advancement Support \100,000, \ 200,000, \300,000

\*The scholarship amount will be determined after considering application content.

Plans that have demonstrable past achievements and that are expected to continue to achieve significant results.

3) Payment Method: Scholarship money is paid by bank transfer. (The bank account must be in the name of the recipient.)

4) Eligibility for other scholarships:

This scholarship can not be combined with the Ritsumeikan University + R Challenge Scholarship in the same fiscal year.

In addition, this scholarship can not be concurrently paid in the same fiscal year if the purpose of the activity is the same as the scholarship or grant of any of the following 1 to 3.

① Athlete and Creator Development Scholarship

② Financial Aid for Development of a Learning Community

③ Financial Aid for Intercultural Exchange

5）Cancellation of Scholarship: The university may cancel this scholarship and request the recipient to repay the scholarship money in the following cases: the recipient withdraws from the university; the recipient takes a leave of absence; the recipient is found to have made a false statement or otherwise committed fraud; the recipient is punished by suspension; the recipient does not fulfill the Obligations of Recipients.

**(2) Target Activities**

This scholarship is applicable to individual extracurricular activities that contribute solutions to various social problems in line with the educational philosophy of Ritsumeikan University.

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| <Examples of activities>   * Participating in activities to solve local problems and facilitate community development as a member of the local community, and striving to further deepen and enhance such activities. * Engaging in activities that contribute to community development on and off campus, leveraging expertise and skills (in information technology, scientific knowledge and technique, tourism, education, welfare, sports, law, etc.) gained through college-based or university-wide studies, and striving to further deepen and enhance such activities. * Pursuing new goals by engaging in activities that contribute to the peace of international society and facilitate regional cooperation, as part of departmental and non-departmental studies. |

**2. Eligibility**

**(1) Conditions**

1) Undergraduate student at Ritsumeikan University

2) Graduate student at Ritsumeikan University and fulfilling one of the following conditions.

① Enrolled in a Master's Program or the 1st or 2nd year of an Integrated Doctoral Program

② Enrolled in a Professional Graduate Degree Program.

3) Students whose enrollment status is “studying abroad”, can apply to this scholarship regardless of the above conditions 1) and 2). In such cases, applications will be accepted via email and the selection methods will be adjusted accordingly in order to give equal opportunity.

4) Students are only able to receive this scholarship once during the same college year (i.e., as a 1st year student, etc.).

\* Applications cannot be accepted during any academic year that the student is being punished by suspension.

5) No specific academic criteria are set. However, applicants must be students with a strong intention to graduate from Ritsumeikan University or complete their graduate school courses at Ritsumeikan University.

**(2) Documents to be submitted**

・Application Form for AY2019 +R Alumni Association Future Human Resources Development Scholarship

**3. Selection Criteria and Methods**

**(1) Selection criteria**

1) First Step Support

① Feasibility of the activity plan prepared by the applicant

② Clarity of the goal(s) of the activity

③ Possibility of the results of the activity giving something positive back to society

2) Advancement Support

In addition to the criteria above, the following two criteria are used.

④ Demonstrable past achievements of the activity

⑤ Whether or not a certain strategy was discovered from the past activity to solve an issue, and the feasibility of putting that strategy into action.

**(2) Selection methods**

1) Applicants will be screened based on the submitted documents and be selected for a group interview.

2) Following the group interview, recipients will be selected.

\* Those who were absent from the group interview without notice will be deemed to have withdrawn their application.

**4. Obligations of Recipients**

If selected as a recipient of this scholarship, you should behave in a manner that is exemplary to other students. The university may revoke this scholarship and request the recipient to repay the scholarship money if the recipient does not fulfill the Obligations of Recipients without justifiable grounds.

1) Submit an achievement report.

2) Attend the award ceremony.

3) Participate in the midterm exchange meeting.

4) Make public the details of the activity, including the theme and plan, by publishing them online, etc.

5) Make your achievements known to the public when requested by the university

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**★ Important Points!**

Please be sure to deepen your understanding of application contents by　attending the “briefing session”, prior to submitting your application. The schedule and locations of "briefing session" will be announced on the Ritsumeikan scholarship website.



